SUBJECT No. 15:

Maintenance of all Survey Records in Taluk Offices.

Messrs. H. Seenappa and J. Rudrappa, Hoskote Taluk.

Mr. Seenappa.—The *Uttar* and *Tippani* copies of Survey Records necessary for the settlement of disputes are to be got only from the Survey Department as copies of these are not kept in the Taluk Offices along with the other Survey Records. As it is very necessary to have these two records always for frequent reference, they may be ordered to be lodged in the Taluk Offices.

Mr. D. S. Hanumantha Rao.—It is very inconvenient to get copies from the Survey Superintendent's Office, when they are required urgently. There will be a great delay.

Superintendent of Revenue Survey.—These are technical records and the Taluk Officials cannot understand them and cannot consequently make copies. They will not be properly maintained there. If anything happens to them, new ones cannot be prepared. It is not therefore possible to have these records kept in the Taluk Offices now. The resettlement work will be over in 3 or 4 years. Then we shall arrange to have these records kept in the Taluk Offices. These records will always be in the Survey Office and can be had at very short notice for reference by any one.

Revenue Commissioner—*Tippani* copies can be made only by Mojanidars. Sheikdars or Tank Inspectors cannot do this.

Mr. D. S. Hanumantha Rao.—*Uttar* copies at least may be kept in the Taluk Offices to prevent delay involved in getting them from the Survey Office.

Superintendent of Revenue Survey.—Give instances of delay and inconvenience.

Mr. H. Thimmappaiya.—These copies should never be either in the Taluk Office or in the District Office. They should always be in the Survey Office where they would be safe.

Mr. B. Srinivasiengar.—In the Madras Presidency, ferro-typed copies are preserved in the Taluk Offices. Why should not similar arrangement be made in the Taluk Offices in this State also. I think that such records should be preserved in the Taluk Offices as well.

Superintendent of Revenue Survey.—The Madras Government spend about 15 to 20 lakhs of rupees over this.

Mr. B. Srinivasiengar.—In the absence of these copies, raiyats will not be in a position to know what land is irrigated, what extent, and from what tank. This information is essential to a raiyat and hence copies of these two records should necessarily be kept in the resettled taluks at least.

Dewan.—This is not possible for the present.